AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to FIGs. 3B-C and 14. These sheets, which include FIG. 3A and FIG. 3D, replace the original sheets including FIGs. 3A-D. In FIGs. 3B-C, the text "Thi" is deleted. In FIG. 14, the text "D3HH" and "D2HH" is deleted.

Attachments: Replacement Sheet Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

REMARKS

By this Amendment, Applicant amends paragraph [0116]. Applicant also amends FIGs. 3B-C and 14. No new matter is added.

The Undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of a brief telephonic interview on 23 May 2006. As a result of that interview, the undersigned attorney understands that this Amendment to FIGs. 3B-C and 14, and the accompanying Terminal Disclaimer, put this case in condition for allowance.

OBVIOUSNESS-TYPE DOUBLE PATENTING

Applicant submits herewith properly-executed Terminal Disclaimers to overcome the outstanding obviousness-type double patenting rejections.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing explanations, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and reexamine the present application, allow claims 1-30, and pass the application to issue. In the event that there are any outstanding matters remaining in the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Kenneth D. Springer (Reg. No. 39,843) at (571) 283-0720 to discuss these matters.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0238 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, particularly extension of time fees.

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